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SUBJ: DEBRIEFING OF VIETNAM RETURNEES: PART IV: BABYLIFT

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1. IN OUR DEBRIEFING OF THE AUGUST 1 RETURNEES, WE ASKED EACH ONE IF HE HAD ANY INFORMATION ON VIETNAMESE PARENTS IN VIET-NAM OF BABYLIFT CHILDREN, AS PER REFTEL. EXCEPT FOR PERRY POLLARD, NO ONE REPORTED HAVING BEEN CONTACTED BY VIETNAMESE PARENTS. POLLARD KNOWS ONE COUPLE WHOSE CHILD IS IN THE U.S., PRESUMABLY--BUT NOT NECESSARILY-- TO BABYLIFT.

PARENTS ARE HAPPY THAT CHILD IS OUT OF COUNTRY AND HAVE GIVEN POLLARD MESSAGE FOR CHILD THAT THEY ARE FINE. POLLARD DECLINED TO REVEAL NAMES OF EITHER PARENTS OR CHILD UNTIL HE DELIVERS MESSAGE, BUT DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONTACT HIM UPON HIS RETURN TO U.S. SHORTLY.

2. EMBASSY HAD HOPED THAT RICHARD HUGHES, WHO ARRIVED FROM SAIGON AFTER AUGUST 1 GROUP, WOULD BE HELPFUL ON THIS QUESTION. HOWEVER, HE HAS AVOIDED ALL CONTACT WITH EMBASSY BECAUSE, AS HE TOLD JOURNALIST, HE DOES NOT "WANT TO GIVE INFORMATION TO CIA". FOLLOWING HIS DEPARTURE FROM
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BANGKOK FOR U.S. AUGUST 14, RECOMMENDED DEPARTMENT GIVE HIM A

FEW DAYS TO RELAX, THEN CONTACT HIM AT SHOESHINE BOYS
FOUNDATION IN NEW YORK CITY.
WHITEHOUSE

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